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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Vosseler et al.
Serial No: 09/853,103
Title: METHOD, SYSTEM AND COMPUTER
PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR MONITORING
OBJECTS IN AN IT NETWORK
Filed: May 10, 2001
Examiner: Le Hien Luu
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Docket No.: 2005779-2 US
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

Applicants are submitting the present paper in response to the Office Action dated August 17, 2004 (the "Office action"). Please reconsider the above-identified application in light of the following amendments and remarks.

A Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.